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CITY TO BUILD BATH HOUSE AT LAKE GEORGE. Will Be \$12,000 WPA Project Costing City only \$2000 For Materials. (Index-Commonwealth, October 23, 1936).

Plans for a \$12000 bath house to be erected with W.P.A. labor near the Lake George bathing beach were approved by Hobart's city council at its meeting Wednesday evening. The plans, drawn by City Engineer William Krull and submitted to council by Emil Reiner, call for an appropriation by the city of an estimated \$2000 for actual material needed on the work. The balance is to be furnished in labor by the Works Progress Administration.

According to the plans submitted, the building will be a beautiful one story structure of concrete and brick with center entrance into a lobby large enough to accomodate a desk and space for the rental of bathing suits, etc. Leading to the left of the lobby, the men's dressing room, with lavatories and two or three private dressing rooms are to be located. Similar arrangements are to be provided on the other side for the ladies.

The site for the bathhouse at the South west corner of Main and Second streets was purchased by the city a year ago from the Barnes brothers, Gary coal and ice dealers. A small concrete garage now occupying the ground is to be razed and the material thus salvaged used in the building of the new pavillion.

By their action Wednesday night, council leaders snactioned the dismantling of the garage building beginning immediately with a view to having the pavillion ready for use with the opening of the bathing season next May or June.

The council instructed Krull to draw up a set of permanent plans and to make certain his original outline so that the cost of the building to the city may be held below \$2000.

SEARCH YOUR MEMORIES: What other uses did this building have? When was it demolished? What is the significance (if any) of this particular site?

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